

## THS Cagers Drop Out of Tournament

By BILL SCHIPPER

Torrance High's hot and cold varsity basketballers suffered their second straight loss and were knocked out of the 16th annual Beverly Hills Tournament Friday afternoon when host Beverly Hills handed the Tartars a 54-44 pasting in the third round of play.

## BEES RACK UP PAIR OF VICTORIES

Torrance's Tartar B and C hoop teams racked up another pair of double wins this week by outscoring North High and Lennox High light weight squads in the teams' final non-league encounters before Bay League play gets under way Friday.

It was Coach Will Boerger's sixth straight B victory and the C's added their third in a row after the double triumph over Lennox Thursday by scores of 45-30 and 21-19 respectively on the losers court.

Wednesday the high riding Tartar squads knocked off North High in both ends of a twin bill, taking 58-39 and 37-31 wins.

In posting a respectable 6-3 pre-league record, the B team's top scorer has been sophomore guard Jim Hester with 89 points in the 8 games he has played for a 10.6 game average. Following Hester with 85 and 84 digits respectively, for the full nine encounters are Bill Roberts and Tom Ojard.

The Cees, sporting a 5-3 mark, find Tom Richardson the team leader in scoring with 67 tallies for 8 tils and an 8.3 average.

## Cage Clinics Planned by City Coaches

Basketball clinics for all elementary age boys in the Torrance area will be held Saturday, Jan. 11, according to the city recreation department.

The clinics are to be held in the gyms at both Torrance High and North High Schools. The boys who live in the central and south sections of Torrance will attend the activities at Torrance High School gym and those living in the north area will go to North High School.

The clinics will be under the supervision of basketball coaches in the Torrance schools. Coach Woods and Ellings will be in charge at North High and Coach Boerger will take over at the Torrance High gym.

Basketball fundamentals and techniques will be covered at both clinics. This is to prepare the boys for the forthcoming basketball leagues sponsored by the recreation department.

Both groups will begin their activities at 10 a.m. Saturday. From 10 until 12 noon the coaches plan to explain and demonstrate basketball skills to the audience. From 1 to 3 p.m., the boys will have an opportunity to apply the theory in practice on the gym floor.

Coaches of the local parks and playgrounds are busy signing boys to a basketball team that corresponds with their ages. Boys who are interested in playing basketball, and are not yet signed up with an area, are urged to do so as soon as possible.

## Ex-Torrance Star at Utah

Richard Ruffell, a basketball star last year for Torrance High School, is playing basketball this winter with a strong University of Utah freshman squad.

Coach LaDell Andersen is playing Richard, a 6-4, 180-pounder, as forward for the Utah Papooses.

Richard, a son of Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Ruffell, 2016 W. Carson St., is majoring in physical education in the University of Utah Education College.

## Spartans Gain Win In Non-League Tilt

Coach Jim Hanny's South High basketballers got back on the victory trail Friday night as the Spartans scored their most convincing win of the season in beating Culver City's junior-varsity quint 58-43 in the final non-league tilt before the Crescent League action gets under way this Friday. The game was played on the losers' court.

A brilliant 25-point performance by freshman Joe Austin sparked the win, their fourth in eight non-league tries. After jumping off to a 12-6 first period lead, the ninth and 10th grade Spartans outscored the Centaurs 14-13 in the second stanza to walk off the court at halftime owning a comfortable 26-19 lead.

Coach Hanny's starting combination of Austin, John Newborne, Bill Hargrove, Mike Challis, and Cliff Roy swished the nets with 19 points in the third period to outscore their hosts by nine and then Hanny

substituted freely in the final quarter as his Spartans rolled on an easy win.

Newborne was second high for the locals with 12. Hargrove dropped in eight and Challis hit for six to aid the Spartan cause. Other point getters were Roy, five; Jerry Schipper, one, and Jim Hawkins, one.

In the Bee and Cee preliminary games the South cagers were dumped by scores of 59-20 and 31-15. Coach Jerry McAlvaines' hardluck B quint was handed their seventh loss of the season against a single win.

High point man for the Green and Whifers was Bob Werham with six. High scorer for the Cees with six was Dave Davidson.

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## Orojets Squeeze By Beavers for Initial Win in Tournament Play

Sparked by the clutch playing of Richard Bertoni and Mike Towell, the Orojets moved one step towards their second consecutive basketball tournament championship as they upset the powerful Beavers 20-18 at Stephen White gym Thursday night.

The victors were trailing by seven points early in the game but made a strong comeback to grab off the initial win in the second annual Normandale playground tourney.

Victors over the Padres by a 56 to 4 count, the Trojans will oppose the Orojets Tuesday evening in a crucial semi-final game. Dick Hickman of the Trojans led all scoring in the night's play as he bucketed 22 points.

Another lopsided game found the Oaks handing the Mounties a 56-9 loss. Pat Atkins with 20 points and Gil Gilchrist with 16 were the top scorers for the Oaks. The Seals forfeited to the

Rainers because of a transportation mix-up.

Schedule for Tuesday's games is:

Consolation semi-finals, 6:30 p.m.: Beavers vs. Padres, Mounties vs. Seals.

Championship semi-finals, 7:30 p.m.: Orojets vs. Trojans, Oaks vs. Rainers.

### BOX SCORES

Orojets (20)	Beavers (18)
Van Camp (1) .....	Lavin (3)
Hill (2) .....	W. Marshall (0)
Bertoni (9) .....	Mullins (13)
Stuart (9) .....	M. Carter (0)
Gowin (0) .....	Tieny (2)
Trojans (56)	Padres (4)
Malone (12) .....	Houston (0)
Benfro (6) .....	Ault (2)
D. Hickman (22) .....	Walker (0)
Cassetta (6) .....	Tipton (2)
T. Hickman (4) .....	Bender (0)
Scoring subs: Trojans, Churchill (10)	
Oaks (56)	Mounties (9)
Swain (10) .....	Johnson (0)
Hoppes (0) .....	Barnes (0)
Gilchrist (16) .....	Roller (0)
Porter (6) .....	Boreich (6)
Atkins (20) .....	Fenton (1)
Scoring subs: Oaks, Distro (2), Smith (2), Mounties, Clamptt (2).	

## Sport-A-Rama Scheduled

Sponsorship of its first county-wide "Sport-A-Rama" at Southwest Sportsman's Park, 9835 S. Western Ave., on Feb. 7, 8, and 9 was being arranged today by the Los Angeles County department of parks and recreation.

County Sports Director Charles Bolinger today said the "Sport-A-Rama" will be free to the public. It will contain exhibits and demonstrations of many varieties of sports which are of current public interest.

One the first day, Friday, Feb. 7, the show will be open from 6 to 10:30 p.m. Hours for

the second day, on Saturday, Feb. 8 will be from 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. On Sunday, Feb. 9, the show will be open from 12 noon to 10:30 p.m.

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